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In re Application of

Murakawa et al

Application Serial No. 07/402,450

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: PETITION DESICION

This is in response to applicants' petition under 37 CFR 1.181(a) filed September 11, 2002, requesting to review a delay in declaring an interference.

The file history and applicant's statement have been carefully reviewed. The delay is regretted. It has been determined that there is interfering subject matter. The request for an interference under 37 CFR 1.607 has been discussed with the Administrative Patent Judge (APJ) of Board of Interference. A notice that an applicant is seeking to provoke an interference has been sent to the patentee.

However, there is a missing file and a request for reconstruction had been made. Interference will be declared by an APJ as soon as all files involved are available.

Applicants' petition is **Granted**.

Should there be any questions with respect to this decision, please contact Cecilia Tsang, by mail addressed to: Director, Technology Center 1600, Washington, D.C. 20231, or by telephone at (703) 308-0254 or by facsimile transmission at (703) 305-7230.

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